BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY DOCKET – THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2017 – 11:00 a.m. ROOM 215 – CITY HALL – 100 NORTH HOLLIDAY STREET

Please note: If you are interested in a particular case, please call (410) 396-4377 the day before these hearings to verify that a particular case is still scheduled for this date.

11:00 a.m.

- I. Regular Items (New, Transfers, Expansions, Hardships and Violations):
 - Matthew Smith, Tagliata/Elk Room, LLC, T/a Tagliata, 1012 Fleet Street Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to expand premises to include 1010 Fleet Street, request for live entertainment and outdoor table service.
 - 2. Dolores Spann and Young Yea Yon (SS), New Chuho Enterprise, Inc., T/a Kim's Liquor & Grocery, 200 N. Monastery Avenue Class "A" Beer, Wine & Liquor License Violation of Rule 3.09(b) Restroom Facilities and Health Regulations March 20, 2017 At approximately 9:30 AM BLLC Agent John Chrissomallis, Health Inspector Casandra Cary, and Fire Marshall Eugene McCullough Jr. conducted a special investigation of the establishment that was initiated by complaints of illegal activity in and around the store. Upon conducting an inspection, Health Inspector Cary observed numerous violations of the Baltimore City Health Code, issued the appropriate violations to the owner, and closed the operations of the establishment.

Violation of Rule 3.08(b) – Sanitation and Safety – March 20, 2017 – At approximately 9:30 AM BLLC Agent John Chrissomallis, Health Inspector Casandra Cary, and Fire Marshall Eugene McCullough Jr. conducted a special investigation of the establishment that was initiated by complaints of illegal activity in and around the store. Upon conducting an inspection Fire Marshall McCullough Jr. observed numerous violations of the Baltimore City Fire Code and issued the appropriate violations to the owner.

3. Jaime Balvuena Bravo and Alejo Martinez, El Oasis Restaurant Y Discotec, Inc., T/a El Oasis Restaurant Y Discotec, 3919-21 Eastern Avenue – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.12 – General Welfare – March 25, 2017 – At approximately 12:40 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent John Chrissomallis responded to a loud music complaint at the establishment. Upon arrival both observed the front door open and heard loud music emanating out of the establishment. Gatto and Chrissomallis entered the establishment and made contact with the manager, Mr. Lumes Fernando. They informed him that the BLLC had been to the location numerous times to give warnings to staff concerning the loud music emanating from the establishment and the need to have the front door closed. On this occasion, BLLC and Police had to tell Mr. Fernando to lower the music at least 3 times before he complied. At this time, Chrissomallis and Gatto advised Mr. Fernando that a violation would be issued to his establishment.

Violation of Rule 4.16 – Illegal Conduct – March 25, 2017 – At approximately 12:40 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent John Chrissomallis responded to a loud music complaint at the establishment. Upon arrival both observed the front door open and heard loud music emanating out of the establishment. Gatto and Chrissomallis entered the establishment and made contact with the manager, Mr. Lumes Fernando. They informed him that the BLLC had been to the location numerous times to give warnings to staff concerning the loud music emanating from the establishment and the need to have the front door closed. On this occasion, BLLC and Police had to tell Mr. Fernando to lower the music at least 3 times before he complied. At this time, Chrissomallis and Gatto advised Mr. Fernando that a violation would be issued to his establishment.

4. Kassim Ahmed and Suad Ahmed, Sunlight Lounge, Inc., T/a Sunlight Lounge, 1713-15 Eastern Avenue – Class "D" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) – Prohibited Hours – April 1, 2017 – At approximately 1:01 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent Chrissomallis conducted a special investigation of the establishment to determine if it was operating after hours. At the time, Gatto and Chrissomallis entered the establishment and observed a group of males with a bucket of Corona bottles at a table and approximately 6 individuals as the bar, one of which was observed with an alcoholic beverage. The establishment has a Class D Beer, Wine, and Liquor License and is prohibited from operating after 1:00 AM. The manager on the scene was advised of the violation by the BLLC and Police Department.

Violation of Rule 4.05(b) – Prohibited Hours – April 1, 2017 – At approximately 1:01 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent Chrissomallis conducted a special investigation of the establishment to determine if it was operating after hours. At the time, Gatto and Chrissomallis entered the establishment and observed a group of males with a bucket of Corona bottles at a table and approximately 6 individuals as the bar, one of which was observed with an alcoholic beverage. The establishment has a Class D Beer, Wine, and Liquor License and is prohibited from operating after 1:00 AM. The manager on the scene was advised of the violation by the BLLC and Police Department.

5. Jose Morales, Arizona Bar & Grill, Inc., T/a Arizona Bar & Grill Restaurant, 25 S. Broadway – Class "D" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) – Prohibited Hours – March 25, 2017 – At approximately 1:05 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent Chrissomallis conducted a special investigation of the establishment to determine if it was operating after hours. At the time, Gatto and Chrissomallis entered the establishment and observed 4 people consuming alcoholic beverages. The establishment has a Class D Beer, Wine, and Liquor License and is prohibited from operating after 1:00 AM. Mr. Smith, the manager on the scene, was advised of the violation by the BLLC and Police Department.

Violation of Rule 4.05(b) – Prohibited Hours – March 25, 2017 – At approximately 1:05 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent Chrissomallis conducted a special investigation of the establishment to determine if it was operating after hours. At the time, Gatto and Chrissomallis entered the establishment and observed 4 people consuming alcoholic beverages. The establishment has a Class D Beer, Wine, and Liquor License and is prohibited from operating after 1:00 AM. Mr. Smith, the manager on the scene, was advised of the violation by the BLLC and Police Department.

Violation of Rule 3.03(c) – Records – March 25, 2017 – At approximately 1:05 AM Det. Gatto of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and Agent Chrissomallis conducted a special investigation of the establishment to determine if it was operating after hours. Upon entering the establishment, BLLC inspectors asked the bar manager/clerk, Mr. Smith, for employee records. Mr. Smith could not produce employee records for all 9 of the 13 employees he stated were present and in the establishment at the time of the request. Mr. Smith, the manager on the scene, was advised of the violation by the BLLC and Police Department.

1:00 p.m.

II. Violations:

- 1. Byoung Wook An and Patrick T. Min, ACA Liquors, Inc., T/a Eric 500, 500 E. North Avenue Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times March 31, 2017 At approximately 12:15 AM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and members of the BLLC's Inspection Division conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. At this time, Det. Akinwande and Det. Garrett entered the establishment in an undercover capacity and attempted to gain access to the tavern portion of the premise. Mr. Anthony Miales, who was the attendant present at the location, stated to Akinwande and Garrett "Not yet, later" indicating the rear bar area was closed to customers in response to a request made by Garrett for access to the tavern. Both Akinwande and Garrett left the establishment and informed members of the Vice Unit and BLLC inspection division of the violation. Members from each team entered the establishment and informed Mr. Reginald Toney, the manager on location, of the violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii).
- 2. Cheatan Sharma and Jatinder Singh, P.N.J., Inc., T/a Club House Bar & Liquor, 4217 Erdman Avenue Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times April 26, 2017 At approximately 11:55 PM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and members of the BLLC's Inspection Division conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. At this time, Det. Akinwande entered the establishment in an undercover capacity and attempted to gain access to the tavern portion of the premise. Mr. Rupendra Timaisina, who was the attendant present at the location, stated to Akinwande "No" in response to a request made by Akinwande for access to the tavern. Akinwande left the establishment and informed members of the Vice Unit and BLLC inspection division of the violation. Members from each team entered the establishment and informed Mr. Timaisina, the manager on location, of the violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii).

Violation of Rule 4.16 – Illegal Conduct – April 26, 2017 – At approximately 11:55 PM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and members of the BLLC's Inspection Division conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. Upon entering the establishment, Police and BLLC investigators observed two female patrons in the tavern portion of the

establishment who were openly smoking cigarettes within the bar area. Mr. Timaisina was informed that this was a violation of State law. (MD Code Health-Gen. Sec. 24-504)

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- 3. Navroop Kour Sandhu and Gurinder Singh Sandhu, 4325 Belair Road, Inc., T/a Sheldon Lounge, 4325-27 Belair Road Class "BD7" Beer, Wine and Liquor License Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times April 26, 2017 At approximately 10:10 PM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and members of the BLLC's Inspection Division conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. At this time, Det. Akinwande entered the establishment in an undercover capacity and attempted to gain access to the tavern portion of the premise. Mr. Gunukh Singh, who was the attendant present at the location, stated to Akinwande "No, the bar was not open" in response to a request made by Akinwande for access to the tavern. Akinwande left the establishment and informed members of the Vice Unit and BLLC inspection division of the violation. Members from each team entered the establishment and informed Mr. Singh, the manager on location, of the violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii).
- 4. Jong Ho Lee and Hyun Jung Lee, Hyun's Liquors, Inc., T/a Penn Liquor, 1041 Greenmount Avenue Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times April 27, 2017 At approximately 12:40 AM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department's Vice Unit and members of the BLLC's Inspection Division conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. At this time, Det. Akinwande entered the establishment in an undercover capacity and attempted to gain access to the tavern portion of the premise. Mr. Jong Ho Lee, who was the attendant present at the location, stated to Akinwande "that the lounge closed at 9 PM" and thus he could not have access to the tavern, in response to a request made by Akinwande for access to the tavern. Akinwande left the establishment and informed members of the Vice Unit and BLLC inspection division of the violation. Members from each team entered the establishment and informed Mr. Lee, the manager/licensee on location, of the violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii).
- 5. Alexandra Abreu and Maria Hernandez, El Estanko LLC, T/a El Estanko, 45 N. Kresson Street Class "D" Beer, Wine & Liquor License Violation of Rule 4.05(a) Prohibited Hours April 29, 2017 At approximately 12:50 AM, BLLC Inspector Andy Perez was conducting observations of the establishment to determine if it was operating after hours. At this time, Perez observed a male in a white t-shirt enter the establishment. Perez noted that at 1:00 AM the establishment's closing time the individual had not exited. Perez contacted Chief Inspector Mark Fosler and Agent John Chrissomallis to report his observations. Fosler and Chrissomallis arrived on scene at 1:10 AM. At that time inspectors noticed the same individual (male in white t-shirt) leave the establishment with a capped bottle of Bud Light sticking out of his pocket. Fosler,

Chrissomallis, and Perez then entered and observed seven (7) individuals inside the establishment. When asked who was working the bar manager/clerk, Mr. Dimas, stated only himself and another female. None of the other individuals within the establishment could be confirmed as employees of the establishment. The establishment has a Class D Beer, Wine, and Liquor License and is prohibited from operating after 1:00 AM.

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*Please note that times given above are approximate. Parties are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the time noted above.